

SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

MINUTES

September 2, 2010

The South Carolina Commission on Disabilities and Special Needs met on Thursday, September 2, 2010, at 10:00 AM at the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs Central Office, 3440 Harden Street Extension, Columbia, South Carolina.

The following were in attendance:

COMMISSION

Present:

Rick Huntress, Chairman (Via Teleconference)
Deborah McPherson, Vice Chairman (Via Teleconference)
Bobby Harrell (Via Teleconference)
Kelly Hanson Floyd (Via Teleconference)
Nancy Banov (Via Teleconference)

Absent:

Otis Speight, Secretary

DDSN Administrative Staff

Dr. Buscemi, State Director; Mr. Tom Waring, Associate State Director, Administration; Mr. David Goodell, Associate State Director, Operations; Dr. Kathi Lacy, Associate State Director, Policy (For other Administrative Staff see Attachment 1 – Sign In Sheet).

Guests

(See Attachment 1 Sign-In Sheet)

Coastal Regional Center (via teleconference)

(See Attachment 2 Coastal Sign-In Sheet)

Pee Dee Regional Center (via teleconference)

(See Attachment 3 Pee Dee Regional Sign-In Sheet)

Whitten Center (via teleconference)

(See Attachment 4 Whitten Center Sign-In Sheet)

York County DSN Board (via teleconference)

(See Attachment 5 York County Sign-In Sheet)

News Release of Meeting

Mr. Rick Huntress, Chairman, called the meeting to order. Mr. Huntress read a statement of announcement about the meeting that had been mailed to the appropriate media, interested persons, and posted at the Central Office and on the website in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

Adoption of the Agenda

On motion of Mrs. Deborah McPherson, seconded and passed, the Commission approved the agenda for the meeting. (Attachment A)

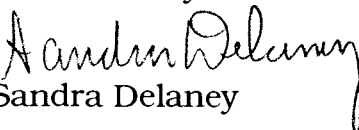
New Business – Community Support Waiver Amendment

Dr. Buscemi asked Dr. Kathi Lacy to give a briefing on the Community Supports Waiver proposed amendment information that was provided. Discussion followed. On motion of Mrs. Kelly Hanson Floyd, seconded and passed, the Commission approved the amendment to the Community Support Waiver.


Dr. Buscemi stated this amendment would be included in the current recommended amendments to the Community Supports Waiver.

On motion of Mrs. Floyd and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by,


Sandra Delaney

Approved:


Dr. Otis Speight
Secretary

COMMUNITY SUPPORTS WAIVER

Proposed Amendment

Recommendation:

The Department of Disabilities and Special Needs (DDSN) is proposing to amend the Community Supports (CS) Waiver to reserve capacity for those currently receiving state-funded day services.

Background:

Data analysis completed by DDSN staff after the August 12 Commission Meeting indicates this change would benefit many DDSN consumers. Currently, DDSN provides 100% state dollars for 150 Medicaid eligible people statewide to receive an array of day services which are covered by Medicaid only through a waiver. If DHHS approves DDSN's request to enroll these 150 people in the CS Waiver, DDSN in turn would utilize the funding to enroll the first 200 people on the CS Waiver Waiting List. Adoption of the proposed amendment would allow approximately 350 people into the CS Waiver. If DDSN and DHHS do not act now the agencies would have to wait until after the previously adopted amendments are approved by CMS and implemented. The entire amendment process would have to begin again.

Impact:

- Adoption of the proposed amendment will offer much needed CS Waiver services to 350 people who meet ICF/MR Level of Care and are at risk for institutionalization.
- No service or benefit offered through the CS Waiver will be reduced by this amendment.
- No individual receiving services in the CS Waiver or on the CS Waiver waiting list will lose a service by this amendment.
- DHHS supports this amendment. DDSN and DHHS agree that a public hearing and MCAC approval are not necessary since there is no negative impact to any CS Waiver participant or individuals on the CS Waiting list.

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**South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs
3440 Harden Street Extension
Conference Room 180
Columbia, South Carolina**

September 2, 2010

10:00 AM

1. Notice of Meeting Statement *Commissioner Otis Speight*
2. Adoption of Agenda *Commissioner Rick Huntress*
3. New Business:
 - A. Community Support Waiver Amendment
4. Next Regular Meeting Date/September 16, 2010 – 1:30 P.M.

PLEASE SILENCE CELL PHONES DURING THE MEETING. THANK YOU.

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Attachment 1

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Guest Registration Sheet

(PLEASE PRINT)

Name and Organization

1. Arika Moss Calhoun County DSNB
2. Craig Stoxen SC Autism Society
3. Valarie Bishop DD council
4. Donna H Hall Babcock Center
5. ANLEY BOWLES Brain Injury ASSOC. OF SC
6. Joyce Davis BIASC
7. Nancy Hall DDSN
8. David Gooden DDSN
9. Lois Park Mole DDSN
10. Tom Waring DDSN
11. Katli Lacy DDSN
12. Kathy Martin PA A
13. Janet Priest DDSN
14. L'A'Ebony Nelson DHHS
15. Thoyd Warren KCBDS ✓
16. Kia Jefferson DHHS
17. Jana Vanderhult DDSN
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Attachment 3

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1. John Hitchman SCDDSN - District II Office.
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Attachment 4

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1. John King DDSN
2. PAT FRGAN DDSN
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Attachment 5

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Name and Organization

1. Michelle Shaffer YCBDSN
2. Micka Ashley YCBDSN
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